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How to submit a Letter of Inquiry to the MacArthur Foundation for Seeking Grant

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MacArthur [Foundation](#) provides [grants](#) to [organizations](#) in a number of areas. Although most of these grants are awarded to 501(c)(3) organizations, but any [NGO](#) from any country can submit a Letter of Inquiry (LOI). But before sending the LOI, it is important to know the areas under which the foundation is currently offering the grants.

You can visit this [link](#) to get an idea on the areas for which the foundation is accepting unsolicited Letters of Inquiry. Also, take a note of the grantmaking areas for which the foundation is not accepting unsolicited letters of enquiry.

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The Letter of Inquiry that you submit to the foundation should have a cover sheet containing information of your [organization](#), chief executive officer, contact address and other details. The LOI itself should contain information about why the project should be implemented and how your organization will address the issue for which you are implementing the project. Geographic area, time period of the project, beneficiaries should also be covered. At the end, you can also mention the amount of [funding](#) or at least the estimated costs for the project. The LOI has to be submitted by email.

The foundation has not provided any format for the Letter of Inquiry but it usually suggests that it should be no more than 2 or 3 pages in length.

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